



## UNITED STATES GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548



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REFER TO: B-192099

DEC 28 1978

[Request For Reconsideration of Claim For Retroactive Pay]

Mr. Edward M. Scott General Accounting Office Norfolk Regional Office

Dear Mr. Scott:

This is in response to your letter of November 20, 1978, requesting that this Office reconsider and reverse its decision on your claim for retroactive pay, Matter of Edward M. Scott, B-192099, November 8, 1978.

This Office will entertain requests for reconsideration where a material mistake of law or fact is alleged. Your letter merely expresses general disagreement with the outcome of the decision. Thus, no basis is presented for this Office to reconsider its decision to you of November 8, 1978.

You also request that the decision in this matter be signed by the Comptroller General and published. We do not understand the basis for such a request. The Deputy Comptroller General has been delegated the authority to sign decisions of this Office pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 42 (1976). Thus, if it is your intent to challenge the finality of the decision on the ground that the Comptroller General did not sign the decision personally, you are informed that the decision is as binding as it would be if the Comptroller General had signed the decision. See 31 Comp. Gen. 596 (1952). Finally, concerning your request that the decision be published, we assume that you intend that the decision be made freely available. Decisions of the Comptroller General are a matter of public record and may be obtained by individuals upon request.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Higgins

Robert L. Higgins Assistant General Counsel

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